

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Liberty Middle School
Pickens County
Grades: 6-8 Enrollment: 544
Principal: Donivan Edwards
Superintendent: Dr. Kelly Pew, Ph. D.
Board Chair: Judy Edwards

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		ESEA/FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING SYSTEM	
			General Performance	Closing the Gap	ESEA Grade	Accountability Indicator
2013	Good	Average	TBD	TBD	B	N/A
2012	Average	Excellent	Gold	N/A	A	N/A
2011	Average	Average	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A

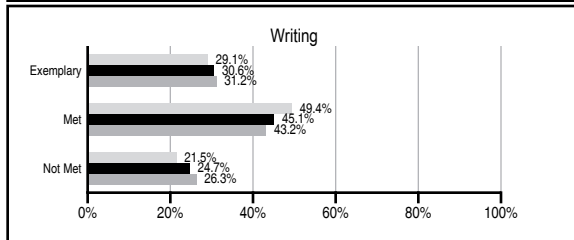
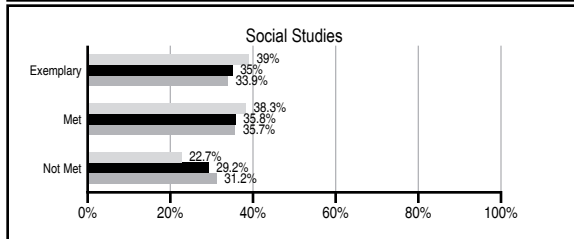
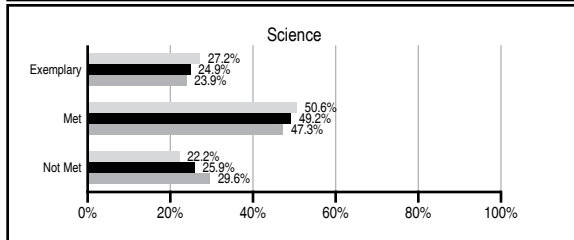
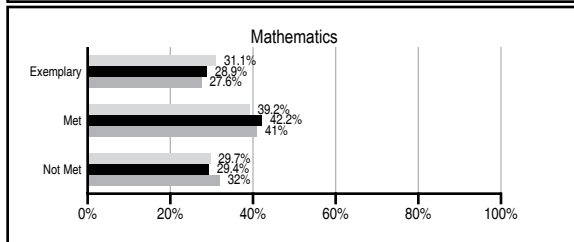
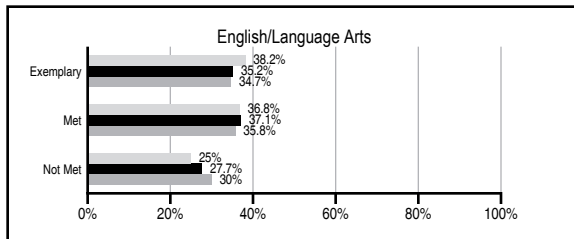
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
3	19	36	1	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 01/15/2014. Schools with Students Like Ours are Middle Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

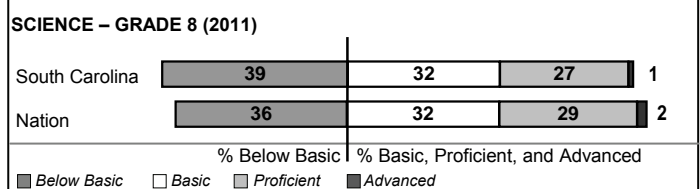
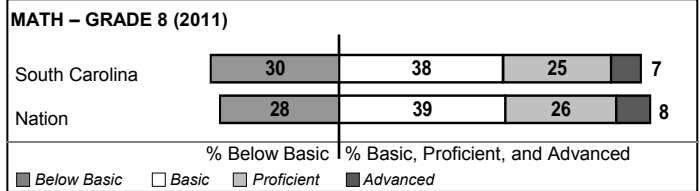
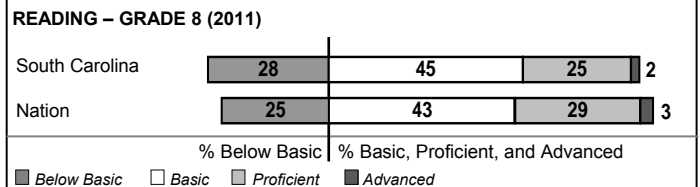
PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



END OF COURSE TESTS - 2013

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	100.0	96.6
English 1	100.0	96.7
Physical Science	N/A	N/A
US History and the Constitution	N/A	N/A
All Subjects	100.0	96.3

SC PERFORMANCE VISION

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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Liberty Middle School [Pickens County]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=544)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	52.9%	Up from 46.3%	21.6%	24.6%
Retention rate	0.4%	No Change	0.7%	0.6%
Attendance rate	94.1%	Down from 94.7%	95.7%	95.9%
Served by gifted and talented program	18.5%	N/A	20.0%	18.5%
With disabilities	13.8%	N/A	14.1%	13.0%
Older than usual for grade	7.2%	N/A	5.8%	4.8%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	1.1%	Up from 0.9%	0.8%	0.6%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	Down from 0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=36)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	72.2%	Up from 70.6%	61.0%	61.5%
Continuing contract teachers	94.4%	Up from 94.1%	83.3%	77.2%
Teachers returning from previous year	87.0%	Down from 89.6%	87.7%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	94.1%	Up from 93.9%	94.8%	94.9%
Average teacher salary*	\$49,651	Up 4.8%	\$47,682	\$47,313
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.9%	2.0%
Professional development days/teacher	7.7 days	Down from 12.2 days	8.9 days	10.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	8.0	Up from 7.0	5.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.4 to 1	Up from 21.2 to 1	21.9 to 1	22.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	88.2%	Up from 86.7%	89.4%	89.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Up from Poor	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	99.4%	99.0%
Character development program	Good	No Change	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,379	Up 9.1%	\$7,061	\$7,239
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.0%	Up from 61.0%	65.0%	63.0%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.0%	Up from 56.4%	62.0%	61.0%
ESEA composite index score	86.2	Down from 96.5	84.4	83.5

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	9	139	42
Percent satisfied with learning environment	66.7%	82.7%	76.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	88.9%	89.7%	92.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	88.9%	89.2%	66.7%

*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2012 -2013 school year has been an exciting one for Liberty Middle School. We began the year by moving into our newly renovated building which contains adequate classroom space, rooms designed for related arts classes, and enhanced security. We added Art back to our curriculum and established a Communications class. Academic highlights included a 96.5 score on our Federal School Report Card and we received the Palmetto Gold Award from the SC Department of Education. A student at our school was the Pickens County Art Show winner. Liberty Middle students continued to participate in STEM activities throughout the year including a regional glider competition. Ninety-three of our students participated in a special reading initiative sponsored by the Greenville Drive. We also had a record number of students named Duke Tip Scholars and SC Junior Scholars.

Our students also gave back to the community in a variety of ways. Over \$10,000 dollars was raised by students for St. Baldrick's Cancer Fund, Make-A-Wish Foundation, and Christmas is for Kids. Veterans were invited to a special Veteran's Day program where they received the accolades of our students, and flags were placed in our school in their honor.

Our athletic teams excelled on the field and in the classroom and received outstanding support from our school community. The Liberty Middle PTO continued their strong support of our students. We appreciate our community for all they do for us and we are "Proud to be from Liberty!"

Donivan Edwards-Principal

Erin Lewis-SIC Chair

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